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NOTE TO EDITORS: [A picture of Dr. Tranter](#) is available on INL's Flickr page.

**Endowed scholarship established to honor former INL employee Troy Tranter**

IDAHO FALLS – A scholarship for students seeking a degree in chemical engineering has been established in recognition of a former Idaho National Laboratory employee Troy Tranter.

Idaho National Laboratory Fellow Terry Todd, a former colleague and manager, helped spearhead the effort to establish the Dr. Troy J. Tranter Endowed Scholarship in Chemical Engineering for the benefit of exemplary sophomore, junior and senior-year chemical engineering students at the University of Idaho. Todd worked with Tranter's widow, Rhonda Tranter, and his two grown children in establishing the endowed scholarship which will annually recognize an outstanding chemical engineering undergraduate student who is a resident of Idaho.

The two-year effort to establish an endowed scholarship was made possible through the collective efforts of Tranter's former co-workers, family members and friends, along with some matching grants from the Idaho Section of the American Nuclear Society and the Idaho National Laboratory, which helped raise the \$25,000 to establish the endowed scholarship. The annual scholarship is expected to be at least \$1,000 and will be administered within the UI Department of Chemical Engineering.

"Troy Tranter was an outstanding engineer and a mentor to a number of young researchers at the INL. He had a real love for education and this scholarship will help others realize that same dream. It was truly an honor to be part of this effort to create this tribute to a friend and colleague," said Todd.

Tranter received his Bachelor of Science in environmental science and chemistry from Arkansas Technical University in 1983. In 1999, he earned a Master's of Science degree in chemical engineering and in 2006, a Ph.D. in chemical engineering, both from the University of Idaho. Tranter was well-known and respected by colleagues in the United States and internationally and received the prestigious R&D 100 Award in 2006. That same year, Tranter was selected for the Most Outstanding Engineer award at the Idaho National Laboratory. He passed away December 17, 2010, while on a work-related trip in Nevada. He was 49 at the time of his death and was living in Idaho Falls.

For more information regarding this or other endowed scholarships, contact the University of Idaho Foundation, Inc. Gift Administration Office, P.O. Box 443147, Moscow, ID, 83844-3147. The first scholarship is expected to be awarded in the fall of 2014.

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